GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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FREE RAILWAY MILITARY WARRANTS TO JAWANS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has made any announcement to provide two free railway military warrants a year to the jawans posted on borders as reported in the 'Dainik Jagaran', dated January 13, 2007;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether all the soldiers of the country are covered or proposed to be covered under this scheme;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of other facilities which are likely to be provided to soldiers?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e): A proposal for issue of one more warrant to all ranks serving in Field area/High Altitude area/Counter Insurgency or Counter Terrorist Operation areas only, in addition to the one already allowed to all ranks, has been submitted by the Army to the Government. The government is aware of the problems of the soldiers and all efforts are made to remedy the genuine grievances of the soldiers. The proposal of the Army is under the consideration of the government.